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Regional Resource Stewardship Council Members Named

The TVA Board has appointed members for the third term of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council, which was created to provide advice and counsel to TVA on the management of natural resources in the Tennessee Valley.

The 20-member council was established in 2000 under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which sets guidelines for establishing a group that provides advice or makes recommendations to a federal agency.

"The dedication and commitment of the men and women who serve on this council are invaluable to TVA as we manage the natural resources for the benefit of the people we serve," said TVA Chairman Glenn McCullough Jr. "We appreciate their input and are committed to the council's continued success."

The TVA Board appointed members to the third-term council after receiving nominations from governors of the states served by TVA and recommendations from TVA customer organizations, community officials and other stakeholder groups. The first meeting of the new council is scheduled for March 16-17 in Knoxville and is open to the public.

"In its first two terms, the council provided valuable advice on TVA's stewardship programs and activities," said TVA Director Skila Harris. "The council's advice helped TVA conduct a major revision of its reservoir operating policy and implement improvements in the way TVA conducts its land management, recreation, water supply and public participation efforts."

New members nominated by governors are Kenneth Ray Darnell, Murray Ky.; Jim Fyke, Nashville, Tenn.; Alabama State Senator Tommy Ed Roberts, Hartselle, Ala.; and Rosemary Williams, Corinth, Miss.

New members Jim Jared, New Johnsonville, Tenn., and Roy G. (Joe) Satterfield Jr., Young Harris, Ga., were nominated by TVA's direct-served and distributor customers. Mike Butler, Nashville, Tenn.; Tom Littlepage; Montgomery, Ala.; and Bill Tittle, Chattanooga, Tenn., were appointed based on recommendations by stakeholders.

Members reappointed by governors are Bill Forsyth, Murphy, N. C.; Jackie Shelton, Pennington Gap, Va.; and W. C. Nelson Jr., Blairsville, Ga..

Other council members returning are Jimmy Barnett, Sheffield, Ala.; Austin Carroll, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Phil Comer, Dandridge, Tenn.; Karl Dudley, Selmer, Tenn.; Miles Mennell, Nashville, Tenn.; Bruce Shupp, Guntersville, Ala.; Greer Tidwell Jr., Nashville, Tenn.; and Tom Vorholt, Nashville, Tenn.

Shupp will continue to serve as council chairman, working with TVA to prepare agendas for meetings and chair each session. Kate Jackson, TVA executive vice president of River System Operations and Environment and TVA's environmental executive, serves as the designated federal officer for the council.

Members will serve through February 2006 in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

TVA is the nation's largest public power provider and is completely self-financed. TVA provides power to large industries and 158 power distributors that serve approximately 8.5 million consumers in seven southeastern states. TVA also manages the Tennessee River and its tributaries to provide multiple benefits, including flood control, navigation, water quality and recreation.

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